



# HOW TO PRAY IN A CRISIS

DISCUSSION GUIDE

## Step Three: Develop Your Biblical, Life-Giving Prayer COMPETENCY

### Intro

What words would you use to describe the least impactful prayer gathering you've ever attended? What words would you use to describe the most life-giving prayer gathering you've ever attended? What factors made the difference in these instances?

1. Reread and interact with the two quotes on page 63. In what ways is it important for us to view prayer as a response to God that must be guided and shaped by His words to us?

2. What does each of the following verses teach us about how we should OR should not pray?

Ephesians 6:18

Colossians 4:2

1 Peter 4:7

James 5:15-17

1 Thessalonians 5:16

Mark 11:24

Matthew 6:5-8

3. As you review the eight principles of life-giving prayer as presented in this chapter (p. 67-78), which one seems most helpful and needful in your prayer life and why? How will you practically embrace this key principle in the coming days?

4. To what degree have you obediently experienced prayer as Jesus clearly commanded in giving us the model prayer (Matt. 6:9-13)? Why do we so often fail to really embrace this pattern? As you more closely align your approach to prayer to this model, what positive changes might you anticipate?

## Breakout

1. After reading and discussing this chapter, what one thing is the Lord prompting you to apply to your prayer life right now?

2. Since starting this study what is one way you have seen yourself or someone in your small group grow in prayer?

3. Spend a significant amount of time calling out to the Lord, asking Him to grow each of us in a greater hunger and capacity in prayer.